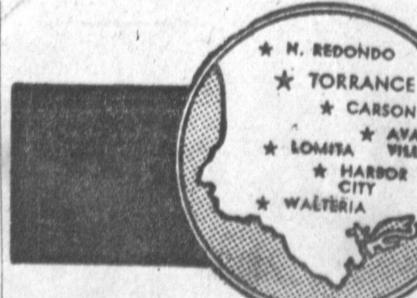


# Teenagers Face Sentences in Robbery and Murder



GOING TO COURT—Alvin Table, 24, of Torrance, center, and Carol Jean Eby, 21, are taken to court by Police Lt. Lee Carron of Redondo Beach after they and another man were nabbed for the unsuccessful safe burglary of the Redondo Beach Auto Club of Southern California.



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# 'Faulty' Road Work Target of City Probe



## Crumbling Road Hit by Mayor

A prompt investigation of recent major street projects to determine if any cheating occurred was ordered by the City Council Tuesday.

Mayor Albert Isen requested that a probe be made immediately by Wade E. Peebles, public works director, after he questioned the premature crumpling of Arlington Ave., "the street that goes nowhere."

"There are lots of questions to be answered," Isen declared. "We should know if contractors abided by city specifications, if inferior materials were used and who was responsible."

### Report Date

Peebles said he expects to know by Tuesday if specifications on that section of Arlington between 190th St. and Del Amo Blvd., were tightly written and will make corings to determine if the materials used followed the specifications.

"If I say I was shocked—it's a mild understatement," the mayor declared.

He said the nowhere street is falling apart, needs resurfacing and the materials seem to be inferior.

Only use of the street, constructed approximately 17 months ago at a cost of around \$70,000, appears to be drag racers who have marked start and finish lines on the pavement.

Six youths have been tentatively selected to participate from here in cars to be furnished by Elubank Rambler and Vel's Ford.

They are Tom Carter, 17, of 3424 W. 187th St., Lloyd Steele, 17, of 16905 Crenshaw Blvd., Chuck Comstock, 18, of 2314 W. 165th St., Ray Smits, 19, of 1850 W. 152nd St., Gardena, Bob Newell, 18, of 4716 W. Sepulveda Blvd., and Brent Shirley, 18, of 241 Via Los Miradores.

Jackson said that drivers must have a traffic record unmarred by traffic citations this year. Drivers, co-drivers and observers will have to be selected from among the six.

The Run will depart here from the National Guard Armory at 5 a.m. on June 21.

To date 31 cars have signed up for the event sponsored by the Police Advisory Council of Car Clubs.

## Offer Metal Class

Classes in metal decorations will begin at 7:30 p.m. today under auspices of the Recreation Department.

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## Young Golfers Meet

Plans for summer activities will be discussed at a meeting of the Sea-Aire Teenage Golf Club. The meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Sea-Aire golf links, 22730 Lupine Drive.

A program of golf instruction is planned during the summer.

## Juniors Irate Because of Banishment from THS Prom

Sixteen Torrance High School juniors expressed bitter disappointment over being barred from the traditional Junior-Senior Prom Saturday night.

They will not be permitted to attend due to an order by Assistant Principal Leonard Lifton as punishment for invading the senior patio as a lark last week.

Mike Walker, junior class president, said that the students affected by the ban are seething because the offense is usually under the jurisdiction of the senior student court and not by school officials.

amounts of money buying dress clothes for the occasion.

"This is hurting the girls who were not even involved," he pointed out.

Walker also pointed out that Lifton did not punish the boys until Monday, at a time after their dates had purchased forms for the event to be held at El Ca-

mino College.

## Shotgun Slayers Convicted

(See Photo on Page 4)

Two youths who mowed down a barber in a shotgun robbery here, face possible lifetime prison terms when they are sentenced in Inglewood Superior Court, June 19.

Det. District Attorney J. Miller Leavy said he will not seek capital punishment for Edward Benavidez, and Gabriel Barreras, both 19, after they were found guilty of first degree murder charges, Tuesday.

Neither suspect took the stand when they submitted their case on the basis of the preliminary hearing transcript before Superior Judge Benjamin Landis.

The pair and a juvenile accomplice, already sentenced, were charged with the murder of William Johnson, 40, a Los Angeles barber, during a robbery Dec. 21. Johnson and his nephew, Dale M. Allsop, 25, of 1843 S. St. Andrews Pl., were walking to the latter's home from a Gardena bar, when they were stopped by the suspects.

According to police reports, the youths who were riding in a car, ordered the two men to throw their money on the ground. Allsop complied, but Johnson walked toward the car and was killed with a blast from a .410 gauge shotgun, allegedly fired by Benavidez.

The suspects' machine stalled, and they ordered Allsop to help them push it. After it started, it became bogged in mud during the foggy night and was abandoned at the scene on 182nd St. near Western Ave.

Torrance detectives traced the suspects through the registration of the vehicle.

## Car Run Starts in Torrance

Torrance will be the beginning and return point of the sixth annual Youth Economy Run to be staged June 21-23.

The drive, which stresses safety driving at minimum fuel consumption, will again go to Yosimite with the route a top secret until the day of the event, according to A. L. Jackson and Sam Piazza, coordinators for the police department-sponsored car club event.

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## Benstead Hits Oil Act Delay

Delay of the new oil well ordinance was hit by Councilman Vic Benstead Tuesday night.

When City Attorney Stanley Remelmeier replied that the new law will not be introduced until Tuesday because representatives of the oil industry wanted some changes to clarify the language, Benstead asked:

"Can't we write an ordinance without letting the oil companies write it for us?"

"They're not writing it," answered Remelmeier.

"You mean they dictated it," the councilman shot back.

But Mayor Albert Isen and several councilmen defended the rewriting on the basis that the law is actually being tightened.

"They've even pledged a voluntary cleanup," Isen said.

## Torrance High Class of '49 to Hold Reunion

The Torrance High School Class of 1949 is holding its new reunion dinner-dance June 20 at the Western Avenue Club in Gardena. Cocktail time at 8 p.m. A buffet dinner will be served with dancing following until 2 a.m.

To date the following members have not been located.

If anyone knows the whereabouts or address of the following persons please notify Dick Turner at FA 8-8744, Dick Wright, FR 8-7585, Anna Jane Goettsch, FA 8-7802, or Janet Watters, TE 2-7330.

They are: Robert Acalo, Betty Berry, Carolynne Byrnes, Joann Cline Campbell, Donald Carlson, Robert Dentz, Carmen Estalano, Wade Fisk, Gregory James, Thor Myhra, Robert Pederson, Bill Robinson, Vaughan Stokoe, Yvonne Thomas, George Walton, Dave Whitte, Donald Zuraschmit, Ronald Stuart, George Ono, Gilbert Avalos, Robert Blackwell.

Deadline for ticket sales is June 1st. The price is \$8 per person.

FORM NEW PTA

The newly formed Columbia School PTA will hold its first meeting May 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

## Former Mountie Will Speak at Chamber Meeting

One of the nation's foremost public speakers will appear at the monthly breakfast meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at the Masonic Lodge, 2326 Cabrillo Ave., Tuesday.

He is Sydney R. Montague, former Canadian Mounted Policeman and author of the famous books "North to Adventure" and "Riders in Scarlet."

Montague's talk will be entitled "A Philosophy of Lifelong Adventure."

Co-Chairmen Henry Miller and James Becker, said the prominent speaker will appear through the courtesy of the Southern California Gas Company.

Serving starts at 7:20 a.m. and the meeting will close at 8:30 a.m.

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SORE POINTS—Are examined on "Streak," 10-year-old gelding, by Jim Oge of South Bay Humane Society. Horse's owner, Don Baxter.

was charged with cruelty to horse and will be tried here June 17.

—Press Photo